

May 20, 2008

Honorable Anne K. Quinlan  
Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E. Street S. W.  
Washington, DC 20423 - 0001

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**Re: *The Kansas City Southern Railway Company - Abandonment Petition  
For Exemption Line in Warren County, MS; Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-  
No. 21X)***

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

Enclosed, please find an original and eleven copies of Raymond B. English Withdrawal of Offer to Purchase the portion of the line (segment).

Respectfully Submitted,

*Raymond B. English*

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**BEFORE THE  
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

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**STB DOCKET NO. AB-103 (Sub- No. 21X)**

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**KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY  
ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION  
LINE IN WARREN COUNTY, MS**

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WITHDRAWAL OF OFFER TO PURCHASE**

**Raymond B. English  
Foam Packaging, Inc.  
P.O. Box 1075  
Vicksburg, MS 39181**

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1. On March 3, 2008, Raymond B. English ("English") filed his Offer of Financial Assistance ("OFA"), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10904 and 49 CFR 1152.27 to purchase a portion of a rail line owned by the Kansas City Southern Railway Company ("KCSR") which rail line is the subject of the above-captioned abandonment proceeding. According to KCSR's Petition for Exemption, the subject line is alternatively known as the Vicksburg Industrial Lead, the South Redwood Branch, or the Redwood Branch.

2. The portion of the Line that English offered to buy, extends from MP 225.6 to approximately MP 227.5, segment, a distance of approximately 1.9 miles, or to the end of the track that is presently on the ground, which track ends a few hundred feet past a spur track which Foam Packaging, Inc. uses to offload inbound cars containing polystyrene.

Raymond B. English ("English") withdraws his offer to purchase this portion of the line (segment) for the following reasons:

1. Vicksburg Southern Railway Company would not discuss the possibility that VSRC would continue to deliver Foam Packaging, Inc. raw material to the FPI rail spur at some increased pay from Foam Packaging, Inc.
2. Foam Packaging, Inc. has now other rail spurs by which we will be receiving our raw

material.

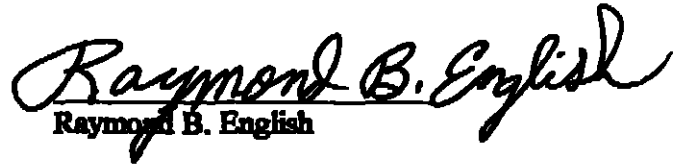
3. The discovery of the fact that I could not transfer ownership of the rail to Foam Packaging, Inc. for five years after the purchase date makes the decision to purchase the line an impractical decision for me.
4. The decision not to purchase the line is the best decision for Raymond English, personally and also the best decision for Foam Packaging, Inc.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Raymond B. English

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 20th day of May, 2008, a copy of the foregoing Offer of Financial Assistance, was served by first class mail, postage prepaid, upon William A. Mullins, Baker & Miller PLLC, Ste 300, 2401 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, DC 20037, attorney for Kansas City Southern Railway Company, and upon Craig Richey, 315 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Pittsburg, KS 66762, attorney for Vicksburg Southern Railroad, Inc.

  
Raymond B. English